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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

25X1 FROM: [redacted]  
Director, Intelligence Community Staff

25X1 SUBJECT: DCI Program on Unauthorized Disclosures [redacted]

25X1 1. Action Requested: None. For information only. [redacted]

25X1 2. During the period 26 September through 4 October 1983, [redacted]  
25X1 presented the DCI program on unauthorized disclosures ten times  
on the West Coast. Audiences included both CIA and U. S. Air Force personnel,  
as well as cleared contractor employees. Presentations were also made recently  
in the Washington area to several CIA components and to senior officers of NSA  
and DIA. As a major feature of the program, audiences were asked for suggestions  
on how to enhance the effectiveness of efforts to combat unauthorized  
disclosures. [redacted]

25X1 3. The following suggestions were offered by persons who attended the  
program:

- (a) Reduce dissemination of sensitive intelligence.
- (b) Reduce or eliminate sourcing of sensitive intelligence reported outside collection organizations.
- (c) Make an example by severely penalizing a leaker, preferably one of senior rank, and publicizing the incident.
- (d) Seek legislation to criminalize the unauthorized disclosure of classified information by cleared persons.
- (e) Seek legislation to criminalize the possession of classified materials by unauthorized persons.
- (f) DCI brief Congressional oversight (and possibly other) committees on the leak problem to seek support for new legislation and for counter-leak efforts in general.

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(g) DCI confer with contractor executives to instill a "top-down," anti-leak attitude among cleared contractor personnel.

(h) DCI confer with media executives to cultivate their cooperation in avoiding publication of material damaging to the national security.

(i) Cleared contractor executives be asked to consider the apparent inconsistency of having their firms purchase a major part of their advertising in publications which make a practice of printing classified information.

(j) Community departments and agencies examine the necessity to purchase so many subscriptions to publications which habitually print classified information, thereby enhancing their income and circulation figures. [redacted]

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4. Most of these proposals have been made before, but you may find them interesting as a reflection of the thinking stimulated by the program. Copies of this memorandum are being sent to the DDI for comment on 3(a) and (b); the Office of Legislative Liaison for comment on items 3(d), (e) and (f); the Office of Public Affairs for comment on items 3(g), (h), (i) and (j); and the Office of General Counsel for comment on items 3(d), (e) and (i). (A-IUO).

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